

Specification

Please replace paragraphs [0028], [0034], [0036], and [0038] with the following replacement paragraphs:

[0028] The drive unit 8 is preferably controlled electrically or electronically. For this purpose, an electronic control unit 15 (~~not further shown in the diagram~~) is provided, which in the present case is integrated into the closure device 3, but in another embodiment according to the invention, it can also be arranged separately.

[0034] The control unit 15 of the drive unit 8 is signal-connected to a sensor 12, which detects whether the convertible top 1 has assumed a specified position, which is defined as the locked position. If reaching the locked position by the convertible top is detected, this is sensed by sensor 12 and processed by the control unit 15. The control unit 15 then operates the drive unit 8, in order to engage the closure element 6 with the mating closure elements 7 and attach the convertible top 1 to the windshield frame 4.

[0036] If the convertible top 1 is to be fully closed and attached, the convertible top 1, with the front edge 5, is guided manually, for example, overcoming a “dead” point on the windshield frame 4, until the locked position is assumed. Reaching of the locked position is detected by the sensor 12, which is in signal connection with the control unit 15 of the drive unit 8, whereupon the control unit 15 operates the drive unit 8, in order to activate the closure element 6 for locking. The convertible top 1 is thereby attached.

[0038] To unlock the convertible top 1, the closure device 3 includes an operating element 14. This operating element 14, in the present case, is designed as a pushbutton, and it is also in signal connection with the control unit 15 of the drive unit 8. During operation of the operating element 14, on receiving the operating signal, the drive unit 8 is operated in order to release the convertible top 1 by driving the closure elements 6, in which case the closure elements 6 are disengaged from the mating closure elements 7.